

**Conclusion**

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected claims.

Applicants submit that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

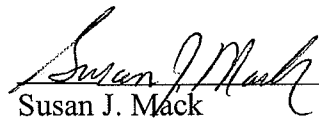
Furthermore, Applicants reserve the right to request rejoinder of the withdrawn process claims of Group II that depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of the product claims of Group I, if the claims of Group I are subsequently found allowable.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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